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AMERICAN STEAMER SUNK UNWARNED

BRITISH IN MAMMOTH DRIVE SMASH WEST LINES

BUSINESSMEN IN PATRIOTIC ASSEMBLY FAVOR UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING, CALL ON EVERY MAN TO DO DUTY

Declare For Loyal Support of Officials By Press and People of Territory

Hawaii's patriotism, Hawaii's manhood, Hawaii's business leadership, Hawaii's public spirit spoke this morning at a meeting of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce such as has never before been held in the history of this leading commercial body of the territory.

Not alone in eloquent words upholding the stand of President Wilson and the United States Congress, but in practical planning for "preparedness" here, for Hawaii's part at home, did the leading businessmen of the city unite.

The Honolulu chamber means not only to pass resolutions but to look after the military problem here, to look after food supplies, to stand by the officials in a difficult hour with concrete and definitely practical work—that was the spirit shown by more than 150 men this morning in a session that filled the makai pavilion of the Young Hotel, which began at 10 and lasted until 11:30 o'clock.

Called together to pass a resolution endorsing President Wilson and Congress in declaring war on the German Empire, the Honolulu chamber met this morning in one of the most remarkable gatherings ever held in this city. Not only did the members pass the resolution unanimously, but equally unitedly went on record as favoring "compulsory universal military training and service" for the citizens of this country and pledged themselves to aid and help the country in every way within their power.

Americanism and all it means and a desire to help radiated from every man present, and as the speakers uttered some patriotic remark the room resounded with applause.

J. F. C. Hagens, president of the Chamber of Commerce, opened the meeting with a strong address and when he said "half-baked loyalty is not wanted," the applause was deafening.

Former Governor W. F. Frear introduced the resolution and said: "The legal committee in drawing up the resolution felt that it should embody two main features; one the endorsement of the declaration of war, and the other our desire to do our full part. While the times demand that everybody keep a level head, it is also fitting that enthusiastic and patriotic meetings be held. Presumably the course taken by the president up to the present time was wisest but many have chafed and now that the die has been cast we should enter the strife with a full determination to defend the right of the nation and humanity."

I therefore move the resolution be passed and copies sent to President Wilson, the senate, house, and the Hawaiian delegates.

J. A. Beaven, following Mr. Frear, said: "It is very easy to come here and vote with our hands, but it really means that each one of us must put our strength and power behind this vote. There is not a man here but what can do something for his country. A baker is as important as a man at the front and, therefore, every one of you should offer his services to the government."

Governor Strongly Applauded
Governor Lucius E. Pinkham was then asked to speak and the applause which greeted him as he stepped upon the platform lasted for several minutes.

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MAJOR LINCOLN FAVORS CLOSING OF SALOONS AS MEASURE FOR HAWAII NOW

Voicing his personal views to the members of the Chamber of Commerce this morning, Maj. C. S. Lincoln, who also bore a message from Commanding Gen. F. S. Strong, declared:

"I'd like to see Hawaii close all saloons tomorrow! A storm of applause greeted this declaration and Maj. Lincoln continued:

Schooner For Here Hard Hit

SEATTLE, Wash., April 9.—The brigantine Harriet G. bound for Honolulu, is today being towed into Cape Flattery and the Straits with her masts down and otherwise damaged by rough weather.

Late today it was learned that ten of the Harriet's crew took a small boat, fearing for the safety of the schooner, and are missing. A coast guard cutter has gone in search of them.

Abolishing Rank of Brigadier-General

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—The rank of brigadier-general is abolished by a provision in the new army appropriation bill. Under this provision there will be no general's rank less than major-general.

17 Allied 'Planes Shot Down on West

(Associated Press by Cable)
BERLIN, Germany, April 9.—Seventeen Entente airplanes were shot down by the Germans on the western front today.

REGULATIONS FOR ALIENS NOT PUT IN OPERATION

Officials in Honolulu Say They Have Not Been Given Any Official Notification

When inquiries were made of government officials, either military, naval or civil, relative to carrying out provisions of the proclamation made April 6 by President Wilson outlawing certain restrictions for alien enemies in the United States it was learned that no such official instructions had been sent to Hawaii. It seems to be the general opinion among those in authority here that the proclamation, in Hawaii at least, was more of a warning to the alien enemies themselves than an order to officials to regulate actions.

United States District Attorney Huber said he had seen and heard of no such orders but expressed a belief that undoubtedly they were being carried out in some parts of the mainland where they were particularly applicable, such as the one forbidding an alien enemy from approaching within half a mile of any federal or state fort, camp, arsenal, aircraft station, government or naval vessel, yard or munition factory.

It is this provision that has caused considerable discussion in Honolulu because it would be almost impossible to enforce, at least without enlisting much trouble.

Huber Points Out Difficulties
Attorney Huber points out that German citizens would not then be able to ride on the Rapid Transit cars to Waikiki past Fort De Russy or be permitted to remain in Hackfeld's or go on the Oahu railway trains past the outlying barracks.

"Every fort and government reservation has its own 'dead line' now," says Huber, "beyond which no alien enemy can pass. This is a matter that the army and navy officers are taking care of themselves. But I understand from Gen. Strong that he has received no orders such as appeared in the press."

Capt. Clark of the naval station at Pearl Harbor also said this morning

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S. S. McClure Here For Day

Noted Publisher, Familiar With War Zone, Would Not Be Surprised at Early Peace, With German Defeat.

"I should not wonder if we would have peace within three months—I do not predict, but, I say, I should not wonder."

"If the German submarine campaign does not get the results for which Germany hopes, the last card seems to have been played in vain."

"Since we have broken relations and declared war on Germany, I feel that America is regaining—renewing—its soul. The part we should play has for two and a half years lain very near my heart."

These in substance are the views, obtained in a rapid-fire interview this morning, of S. S. McClure, famous American publisher and man of affairs, who is on his way to the Orient and Russia and stopped a few hours today as a passenger on the Siberia Maru.

Characteristic of "S. S." as he is known affectionately to his intimates—Mr. McClure, a dynamo of energy, spent his entire time in Honolulu on the search for facts about Hawaii and in preparing some of those facts to be given to the public through the McClure publications.

He arrived at breakfast-time this morning. With Miss Bessie Beatty, a representative of the San Francisco Bulletin, who is on her way around the world for her paper—and who is as much of a "live wire" in her way as Mr. McClure in his—he was at the Star-Bulletin office almost before the steamer had tied up.

"We want to see all we can, hear all we can, and write something before we leave," he told the editor.

Then began a busy day.

Mayor Lane, hearing of the presence of the distinguished publisher, volunteered the use of the big red mayor's car. In this at 9 o'clock the party

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RICHARD OLNEY CALLED BY DEATH

(Associated Press by Cable)
BOSTON, Mass., April 9.—Richard Olney, former secretary of state, died today.

As secretary of state during the second administration of Grover Cleveland, Richard Olney was a world figure from June 10, 1895, to March 4, 1897, but before that time he had been and has since continued prominent in national affairs and in the councils of the Democratic party. His appointment as secretary of state was criticized severely on the ground that he was a "corporation lawyer" but he disapproved his own appointment and confirmed the confidence of his friends by his conduct of his office during his period of incumbency.

President Wilson in March, 1912, tendered the ambassadorship to England to Olney, but he declined the distinction.

He was a fellow of Brown university, 1894-7; regent Smithsonian Institution, 1900-3; member Massachusetts Historical Society, and American Philosophical Society. In March, 1861, he married Agnes P. Thomas, and his home was at 260 Clarendon street, Boston.

NEW POSTMASTER IS EXPECTED ON FRIDAY

Advices received by Acting Postmaster William C. Peterson state that the new Honolulu postmaster, James McAdam, will probably arrive on the next transport, the Thomas, due Friday from San Francisco. He is coming from Washington. The new incumbent had been expected to arrive on the last Great Northern, but did not come.

Five-Billion Dollar Bond Issue by U. S.; Three Billions For Allies

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—A bill for a five-billion dollar bond issue will be introduced in the house of representatives on Thursday. Of this three billions is to be for a loan to the Allies and two billions for United States expenditures in conducting the war.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—Estimates calling for an expenditure of \$1,573,950 for a submarine base on the Atlantic side of the Panama Canal were submitted to the senate by the navy department today.

Senator Sterling of South Dakota introduced in the senate today an appropriation bill of \$25,000,000 for the relief of the Belgians.

CLARENCE COOKE WOULD RESIGN

Representative Clarence H. Cooke has notified Speaker H. L. Holstein of his intention to resign as chairman of the finance committee of the house. This notification was given the speaker shortly after the house adjourned at 12:20 o'clock today.

This action on the part of Representative Cooke was brought about by the house today passing on second reading the "Farm Loan Bill," thus overriding a majority report of the finance committee holding that the measure is contrary to the provisions of the Organic Act. Representative Lyman and Kawaha presented a minority report which was adopted.

"This is purely a showing of lack of confidence in the chairman of the finance committee," says Representative Cooke. "I took the bill home nights and worked over it with a view to in some way making it into a workable measure. When I found out that this could not be done I recommended that it be tabled, and the majority of the finance committee stood behind me, but the house saw fit to pass it over our heads."

Chairman Shingle of the senate finance committee today expressed sincere regret at Cooke's action, declaring that the senate was depending largely on him in the work on the appropriation bill.

Several members of the house and senate have branded Lyman's fight for the bill as being a pure political move.

Coal Men Indicted

(Associated Press by Cable)
NEW YORK, N. Y., April 9.—The federal grand jury handed down indictments against 21 corporations and 18 individuals, charging them with violation of the Sherman antitrust law, in fixing the prices of coal.

JAPAN PLEASED AT WAR DECLARATION

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)
TOKYO, Japan, April 9.—Tokio press and public have welcomed the news that the United States has declared war upon Germany. Many of the newspapers in commenting on the subject were of the opinion that it was the only thing to do under the circumstances. The Government party expects a victory in the coming election.

JAPANESE WILL GIVE PRODUCTION APRIL 21

Subscribers of the Hawaii Home Journal, a Japanese monthly issued by the Nippon Jiji, will be the guests of the owners of the publication at a play at the Asahi Theater on Saturday evening, April 21. Mrs. T. Kawahara, a graduate of a conservatory of music in Boston, will play a number of piano selections on that evening.

Members of the employed boys' classes of the Y. M. C. A. will meet this evening to decide the honors of the year in the National League. Two groups of students, the Athletics and Pirates, will contest for the greater honors at the association in Indian basketball.

NEW HOMESTEAD ROAD BILL UP

Provision that the construction of homestead roads shall be under the authority of the land commissioner instead of the superintendent of public works is made in a bill introduced in the legislature this afternoon by Senator Shingle.

Funds for the roads are to be provided from the opening up of lands for homesteads. The appropriations shall be expended under the authority of the commissioner, or may be ordered by him transferred to the authority of supervising boards in different counties.

Roads to and through business and residence districts are to be opened in the same manner.

A letter was received from the office of Maj. Gen. Bell, San Francisco, expressing the appreciation of Mrs. Frederick Funston for the resolutions of condolence passed upon the death of Gen. Funston.

The health committee this afternoon reported in favor of senate bill 78, relating to the practice of optometry. The report recommended minor amendments, including a change in the date when the laws should go into effect. This change was from July 1, 1918, to October 1, 1917.

Only three bills were passed on third reading today. These were Senate Bill 190, relating to premiums on official bonds; House Bill 38, appropriating \$15,000 for a road through Kalaheo homestead, Kauai; House Bill 54, for the construction of a homestead road and bridges through the district of Koloa, Kauai.

President Chillingworth today urged committee heads to make haste on their reports. He reminded them that it is an unwritten law that no bills shall be introduced in the senate after the 50th day. He also urged the members to be present at tonight's hearing on road bills.

Senator Desha announced this afternoon that a hearing on the Brown case of the Waimea school will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday. A hearing will also be given to Mrs. Lucy Dudoit, formerly of the public school teaching staff, on a similar case.

Senator A. L. Castle introduced in the legislature this afternoon a bill proposing that the city and county lease for a period of not more than 15 years a portion of Puuuli park for a tennis court.

It is understood that the residents of the district intend to contribute funds for the tennis courts which will be double, but the fact that the land is leased by the city and county will also give the public the right to play upon them.

QUAKE IS FELT AT ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 9.—An earthquake shock was felt here this afternoon.

GERMANS TAKEN BY THOUSANDS

(Associated Press by Cable)
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—The American steamer Seward has been sunk by a German submarine in the Mediterranean, unwarned. The crew, including 30 Americans, are reported to be saved.

The Seward, 3390 tons, was built at Seattle in 1907, and owned by the Alaska Steamship Co., with home port Port Townsend, Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—A prize of \$5000 for the first American sailor sinking an enemy submarine is proposed in a bill introduced in the house today.

LONDON, Eng., April 9.—The intensity of fighting on the west, where the British troops under General Haig are making a great drive, is increasing as the battle rages on. Three thousand five hundred Germans were captured in a single group. Prisoners are coming in to the rear British lines in endless procession.

The British casualties are reported slight.

LONDON, Eng., April 9.—Gen. Haig's British troops today drove a terrific storm of artillery and infantry at the German lines on the Arras sector and penetrated the German-held territory for ten miles, from Arras to Lens. It is the opening of the general spring offensive, and the Allies are launching a furious drive on the German positions.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—A joint resolution calling for conduct of congressional affairs during the war by joint committee action was introduced in the senate today. Under the terms of the bill, the committee would be clothed with the widest powers of investigation to compel testimony if necessary. Six members of each house are to constitute the committee.

Brazil Appears Ready to Break With Germany; Action Significant

(Associated Press by Cable)
RIO JANEIRO, Brazil, April 9.—Dr. Lauro Muller, the Brazilian foreign minister, today refused to receive the German minister and ordered a steamer to be ready to sail immediately on a mission abroad.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—In Latin-American diplomatic quarters it is believed that the action of the Brazilian foreign minister, Muller, is proof that Brazil has decided to sever diplomatic relations with Germany immediately.

(Associated Press by Cable)
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—Baron Zwiernick, chargé d'affaires of the Austrian embassy here since the recall of Ambassador Dumba, has demanded his passports, breaking off diplomatic relations between Austria and the United States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—A despatch was received by the state department today from the American minister at Bern, Switzerland, announcing that Austria has broken relations with the United States and that Spain will look after America's interests, while Sweden will take charge of Austria's affairs in the United States.

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 9.—Following the breaking of relations between Austria and the United States, the United States today seized the Austrian steamships Marba Washington and Himalaya, lying at this port.

BOSTON, Mass., April 9.—The Austrian steamer Erny was seized here today.

NEW ORLEANS, La., April 9.—Three Austrian steamships, the Clara, Anna and Teresa, which have been lying here since the war opened as refugee vessels, were seized by the United States authorities today.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 9.—The Austrian steamer Budapest was seized here today.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 9.—The Austrian steamer Franconia was seized by United States officials today.

The bill to create a vocational school at Lahaina was tabled and an additional three-room building for a substitute bill introduced by the legislative committee.

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